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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

## SLACKERS IN SWEETHEART



Jessica Stanfield | The George-Anne

**Joe Thompson**, sophomore electrical engineering major, practices his slacklining skills in Sweetheart Circle. Thompson is a member of the new slacklining club on campus that calls themselves 'slackers.'

## New golf course opens

**BY CASEY CARGLE**

The George-Anne contributor

The brand new Georgia Southern University Golf Course at University Park, built for GSU students, the GSU golf team and Statesboro residents, will open today at 3 p.m.

The GSU Golf Course at University Park, located right off of Golf Club Road, with an 8,000 square foot clubhouse and rolling hills, is the course for students and the public to get away to knock out 18.

The course construction has been on schedule, Assistant Director of the RAC Chris Butler said.

"They've been working seven days a week for the past couple months...they've done a

wonderful job and are on time," Butler said.

The GSU golf course cost approximately 4.5 million dollars to renovate and is considered a world-class course. All the preparations are done and it is geared up and ready to open today.

"There will be very few courses that will be as nice or nicer than the Georgia Southern Golf Course in the Southeast," Butler said.

It will be open to students as well as the public for tee times, lessons and tournaments today.

For students it will be \$7 for walk-ins on weekdays and weekends and includes all 18 holes, also if students pay \$25 they can rent a golf cart. The course also offers twilight hour rates that are lower than the average rate.

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## Turtle traps cause concern

**BY ALANNA NAVIN**

The George-Anne staff

It was Saturday afternoon at Lakeside Dining Commons when students Ron Washington and Sad'e Thomas noticed turtles trapped in a net in Lake Ruby.

"We saw people walking by and everyone is not smiling, but they weren't upset," Washington, junior information technology major, said. "After the third or fourth person, we went outside and we saw the traps and wondered why [someone was] doing this."

It was a net trap and it had a wooden stake in the ground with a rope around it, Thomas, freshman psychology major, said.

"I was upset because I like the turtles and I always take a window seat to watch the turtles while I eat at Lakeside," Thomas said.

The turtles in Lake Ruby are in no immediate danger, but seeing the turtles trapped concerned the students, which urged them to take action and investigate as to why traps were placed in the lake.

Thomas started by asking her professors if they know why the turtles were caught. Some did not know why and others suggested that the biology department was testing the waters.

Thomas then went to the police station only to find that no incidents of turtle traps have been reported.

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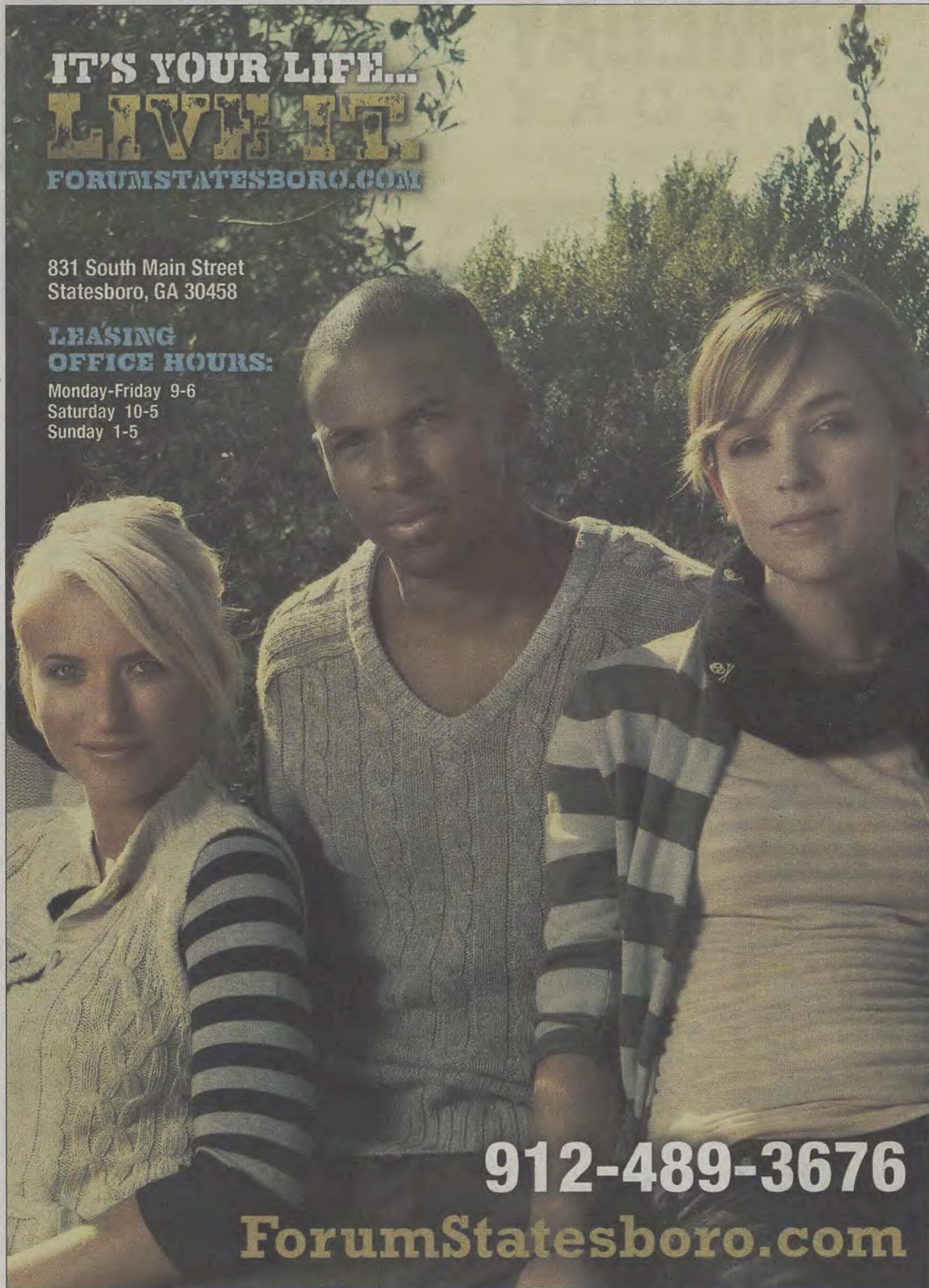
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### Monday, Oct. 7

11:12 a.m.: An incident report was taken for criminal trespass at Eagle Village Building 1. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

12:39 a.m.: Officers responded to Kennedy Hall in reference to a fire alarm. Maintenance responded. The fire alarm was activated due to smoke from an occupant cooking.

4:10 p.m.: An incident report was taken for criminal trespass at Southern Courtyard. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

4:05 p.m.: An incident report was taken for the theft of unattended property at Kennedy Hall. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

6:45 p.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the College of Education. The alarm was accidentally activated by an employee.

8:00 p.m.: Officers responded to Public Safety in reference to a

sick person. EMS responded but did not transport.

8:05 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the Auxiliary Services Distribution Center.

10:19 p.m.: Officers responded to Dining Commons in reference to disorderly students. The disorderly students were judicially referred.

10:34 p.m.: Officers responded to Eagle Village Building 2 in reference to criminal trespass. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

2:28 a.m.: Officers responded to Eagle Village in reference to two subjects damaging property. Two subjects were located. Both subjects were intoxicated and judicially referred for alcohol violations. One subject, William Powell Flowers, 20, Statesboro, Ga., was discovered to be a wanted person out of Clarke County, Georgia for Giving False Information to an Officer and Possession of Alcohol. Flowers was arrested and placed in the Bulloch County Jail.

### Tuesday, Oct. 8

9:32 a.m.: Criminal Investigation initiated an investigation into a report of a sexual assault at Southern Courtyard that occurred on or about 10/01/2013.

9:46 a.m.: An incident report was taken for the theft of a bike at the Engineering Technology Building bike rack. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

10:01 a.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Centennial Place.

11:13 a.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property possibly at the complainant's residence on Led Bury Cove.

1:35 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident in Lot 32.

7:04 p.m.: Officers responded to Freedom's Landing in reference to a drug complaint. Four occupants were judicially referred.

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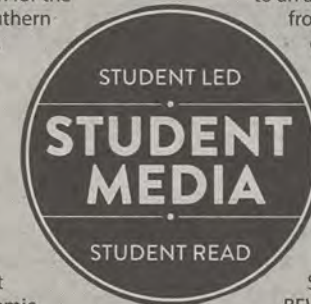
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## Chase ends after year-long search

**BY DARRION BANKS**

The George-Anne contributor

Tahjz Michael Irving, 22, was arrested on Oct. 7 in Clayton County and charged with robbery, simple battery, burglary, criminal trespassing and kidnapping for an incident that occurred last November in Eagle Village during homecoming.

Police in Bulloch County had been unable to pinpoint the suspect's whereabouts before his arrest but used technology to aid in his arrest.

"We entered him into GCIC

(Georgia Crime Information Center), which is the crime information computer [database]," Chief Michael Russell, director of public safety, said.

The break came this week when Irving was arrested on charges in Clayton County, where police found that he was wanted in Bulloch County on other charges through the database. He has since been transferred to the Bulloch County Jail.

"Once he's here, he'll be treated just like any other arrest. We'll question him. He'll be eligible for bond. Of course, that's up to the judge whether

he gets bond or not," Russell said.

In a fit of rage over an altercation that occurred between Irving's sister and another Georgia Southern University student, the suspect forced his way into an Eagle Village dorm and brutalized a male individual he thought started an argument with his sister, Russell said.

"He ended up forcing his way into an Eagle Village dorm room and roughed up the guy he either knew or thought got into the altercation with his sister," Russell said.

Irving also took property from the residence, including a cellphone.

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## Our View

### Garden needs to remember students

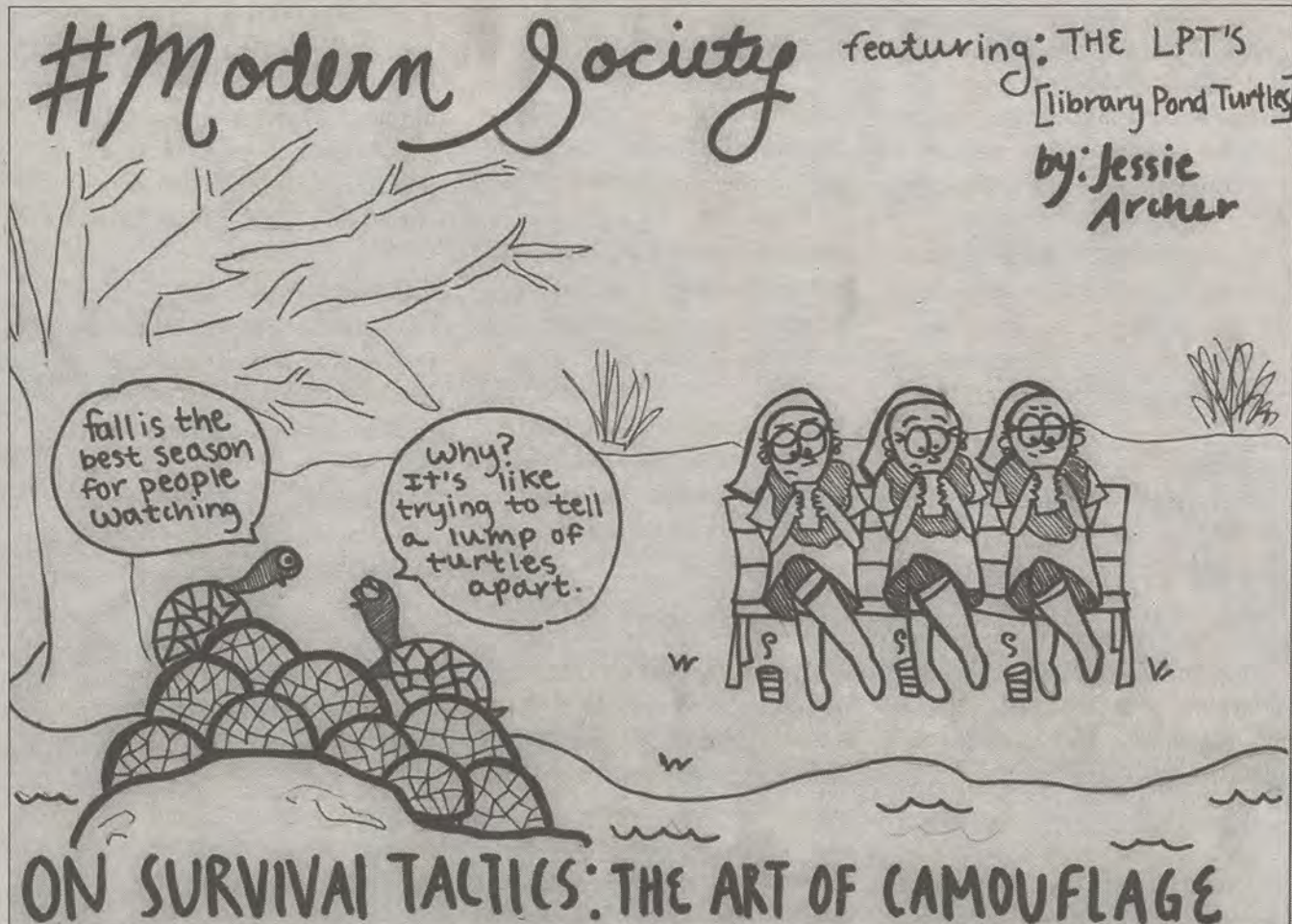
The Garden of the Coastal Plain at Georgia Southern University puts on great programs for fundraisers, however these fundraisers are inconvenient for students. Rhythm & Brews, for example costs \$45 to participate in. Money is tight for students, so the price of the event keeps interested students out. The Garden should offer more fundraisers and programs geared toward students. Granted, the money raised might not be as much as the expensive fundraisers that the Garden puts on, but more student-oriented programs can also increase the visibility of the Garden to GSU students. The Garden can even keep its usual expensive fundraisers geared towards GSU faculty and Statesboro area professionals, but the addition of student-friendly programs and fundraisers can bring more students to the Garden.

It is important for all fundraising efforts and programs to have a student-oriented side to them. Ignoring 20,000 potential donors is not a smart business decision in any circumstance. While many businesses and non-profits benefit from black-tie dinners and white-collar fundraisers, the addition of blue-collar and student-friendly fundraisers can provide even more funds for these institutions.

The Garden should keep up its successful fundraisers, but should add more student-friendly options. This can allow the Garden to increase student exposure and get supplemental donations on top of its white-collar fundraisers.

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## Those tempting Atlanta teams

Have you ever had that one boy or girl in your life that leads you on, but never takes you where you want? He or she has flirted with you, and you have flirted back, but when it comes time to make a move, that person just won't come through and leaves you heartbroken. Well that's how it feels being an Atlanta sports fan.

Just last Monday, the Braves decided to call off our date with the postseason by way of a Juan Uribe homerun in the eighth inning. You could say I felt like I got stood up. It was the second time in two years that the Braves could not make it to the National League Championship Series. Look at the pitching for this Atlanta club and you'll feel a sickening sense of the 90s creeping on. Great pitching, young stars and not jack squat to show for it in the postseason.

But then again, the Braves have been playing this game for 20 years. The Falcons are like that girl in high

### THE FARM LIFE



JAMES FARMER

school who, all of a sudden, got hot one summer when you weren't paying attention. The braces came off, the glasses came off and the benefit of a few years of agonizing viewing suddenly came together. The Falcons won a playoff game and had the best record in the league bolstered by early draft picks they gained from being awful.

So when this ugly duckling turned swan looked like the hottest commodity in the market going into this season, Atlanta fans felt good about themselves. Of course when she showed up to school with chicken pox and about 20

extra pounds, we didn't know what to do with ourselves.

Then there's the Hawks, the reasonably attractive girl everyone knows is a great person, but is ultimately disappointing.

You'll take her out, enjoy yourself, maybe even upset a few great teams, but when it comes to kiss her good night, she pulls out her purity ring and says, "I don't believe in going past the second round."

At least the Thrashers had the common courtesy to move away after breaking our hearts.

Of course, these temptresses break my heart, but when push comes to shove, I'll ask them out to the championship. Maybe they'll say yes next time.

*Farmer is a senior political science and international studies major from Thomasville. He is the current Opinions Editor.*

## Don't forget to hope

Someone very wise (likely my mother) once told me to write a letter to the "man of my dreams." I was probably 13 years old and looked at her like she'd thrown my N'Sync CDs in the garbage. I didn't realize until recently that she had a good point. We send tons of lifeless texts, Facebook messages and bland emails to teachers asking what we missed. No one puts much thought into letters anymore. It's saddening really.

That's probably why, as girls, we all lost it when Mr. Big did that bit with the love letters for Carrie. Granted, at that point, I know that I wanted to punch him in the face. Most of that movie for me was spent yelling at the screen and demanding to know why he didn't just write his own.

So here I am, trying to pull from deep in the feels and make him know what he needs to know about me, this mystery man. What would I say to him, if I knew he'd read it? What do you want from the man you don't know that you will love with all your heart someday? Do you ask that he be kind to you? Do you demand respect? Do you make sure he likes to cuddle, and is okay with being the little spoon? This is my first attempt at contacting a stranger.

Dear Mr. Right, I've been hanging out with Mr. Right-now and met a few of his friends. They make sure I know they're not you, but I can't seem to make it end.

### HEALIN'S AND BLESSIN'S



SAVANNAH ROGERS

The way I see it, you'll meet me when I've almost given in, but I can't lie and say I think I'll make it until then.

You see with every shot fired there's a miss and there's a loss, and I keep reloading ammo, keeping fingers tightly crossed. I keep getting more ammo at any price and any cost, but when it's only up to luck, we give that coin a toss.

There's not a way of knowing how it turns out in the end, because we all know once the truth is out, it's so hard to pretend. I used to know these little boys, then bigger boys and then men. But they'd just sigh and justify it with "I think we should just be friends."

Okay, now I've got one last thing, a small wish if you can. Whenever you may get to me, please make sure you're a gentleman. I'll be the one standing there, her heart in her hands. You'll be the one that only says "Hello, I love you, Van."

*Rogers is a super senior theater major from Eufala, Ala.*

## You never forget your first

Whether you're a freshman in your first semester at Southern or a political spectator nail-biting over the recent governmental shutdown, autumn's made for risky behavior. Maybe you're simply debating swapping out your boring old latte for a pumpkin spice one. Go for it. This season is for the taking. It's fitting that National Coming Out Day, Oct. 11, takes place during autumn.

While Harvey Milk urged, "You must come out," a few addenda are necessary. One, come out when you're ready and not when you're pressured. Make sure your coming out won't jeopardize your safety, sanity or ability to fund your education.

Two, accept that you're going to have to continue to do it over and over: To the OB/GYN who wants to know if you have a boyfriend, to the guy who slips you his number while you're studying at Club Henderson. Three, there's a huge difference between acceptance, tolerance and tokenization. If the people you come out to treat you as a hassle or fashion accessory, realize that it isn't good enough. Four, you'll know you're ready to come out when you feel like a shaken bottle of Coca-Cola, fit to bursting.

Coming out initially seems like an impossible feat. However, much of the anxiety that precedes coming out is eliminated when you tell that very first person. That singular moment when you open your mouth will not only be one of the most memorable ones of your life, but also the most freeing. You might just wonder

### THE OTHER SOUTHERN PRIDE



SARAH FONSECA

what you were so worried about to begin with. I came out so long ago that I feel like I should be telling this story while readjusting my dentures. My "bursting moment" transpired in a Spanish lecture when I impulsively found myself scribbling a note to Ebony, the best friend seated a row over from me. That day, I passed her my spilled ink and guts on a sheet of folded college rule. I told her, "this is who I am," and, in her own uniquely loud and sassy way, she responded with what we all, regardless of gender or sexuality, long for: acceptance.

You can't really come out unless you speak up. But you also can't do it unless someone's willing to listen. To my LGBT allies out there, be fearless and intuitive in your acceptance this month; someone might just need it. To those ready to come out, make use of this autumn and take the leap. Winter will be here before you know it.

Ebony Cullars

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*Fonseca is a super senior from Lincolnton. She is the co-president of Choice USA.*

## Green Fest shows future of Georgian sustainability

Last week, Green Fest was held on the courthouse lawn. This sustainability-themed festival had a wide variety of vendors and displays and a great turnout. There were workshops to build rain barrels, compost bins and home weatherproofing. Exhibitors ranged from local businesses to student organizations and everywhere in between. So in terms of participation, the event was definitely a success. But the event was also a success in other ways. Green Fest exemplifies how Statesboro understands that sustainability isn't just about a healthier environment. Sustainability is also crucial for healthy businesses, individuals and communities.

Since environmentalism has become more

### THE GREEN VIEW



BRITTANY WALKER

and more prevalent over the years, South Georgia has not had the best reputation for being a sustainably minded place. Whether it has been because of politics or lack of citizen action, I feel that Georgia in general has lagged behind in this area. Events like Green Fest show that tides are turning, at least in Statesboro. One

of the interesting things about Green Fest is that a corporation played a key role in making the event happen. Gulfstream, a very successful business aircraft corporation, sponsored Green Fest. Gulfstream has been heavily involved in sustainable initiatives, sponsoring events like these and the Savannah Ocean Exchange. It is great example of how profit and sustainability go hand in hand for good business.

In my view, a flaw of the traditional environmental campaign model was to doggedly go after corporations and businesses, demonizing the role they play in harming the earth. Some of them deserved it, yes. But smart companies understand the need for sustainability, and smart environmentalists

understand the power and potential in teaming up with them. This link between business and sustainability was also shown on a smaller scale at Green Fest. Twelve of the exhibitors were local businesses displaying their own sustainable practices, helping dispel the myth that environmentalism is bad for business.

There is always more progress to be made, but events like Green Fest and the immense improvements for sustainability at Georgia Southern show that positive changes are well underway.

*Walker is a senior sociology major with a specialization in sustainability from Brunswick. She is an officer in the Green Ambassadors.*

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**THURSDAY** 10.10.2013

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**Bouldering Night Out**  
7 p.m.

Boulder Night Out is an event hosted by Southern Adventures at our bouldering cave. Each BNO has a different theme. Prizes are raffled and food is served, but you must participate to get the goods!

Russell Union room 2043  
**National Depression Screening Day**  
2-4 p.m.

RAC  
**Wilderness First Aid**  
Monday, October 21st at 5 pm.

This course will teach you how to effectively care for emergencies and medical issues in a backcountry/wilderness environment. American Red Cross Adult CPR/AED is a required prerequisite for this course and included in the course fee of \$80. Come take advantage of this opportunity! All participants must pre register by October 16th at 8 p.m.

Southern Adventure's  
**Open High Challenge course (Rappel)**  
6 p.m.

Test your strength and endurance by participating in Southern Adventure's Challenge Course on t Make sure to pre register early by calling 912-478-7227 or go to the Southern Adventures Center at the RAC.

**FRIDAY** 10.11.2013 **TUESDAY** 10.15.2013

Paulson Stadium  
**Outdoor Movie - Pacific Rim**  
9:00 PM

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**SATURDAY** 10.12.2013

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**SUNDAY** 10.13.2013

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Southern Adventures  
**2nd Southern Adventures Trip release**  
6 p.m.

Southern Adventure trips are first come first serve. Come out to secure your spot for the awesome trips that are hosted throughout the year. Get there early and invite your friends!

Southern Adventures  
**Bike Maintenance 101**  
6 p.m.

Are you interested in learning how to properly perform basic bicycle maintenance? If so, attend a free introductory clinic hosted by Southern Adventures on Monday, October 21 at 6 p.m. Pre registration is required.

Russell Union Commons  
**UNplugged**  
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

The University Programming Board invites you to our weekly UNplugged Series! Looking for something fun to do on campus? Want to watch some live performers? Maybe even want to try out that new song of yours? Georgia Southern UNplugged is a coffeehouse series/open mic night sponsored by the University Programming Board held every Tuesday at 6:30 PM in the Russell Union Commons. Come and see the talented students of the Georgia Southern community showcase their skills. BRING YOUR EAGLE ID! Performing? Sign up early.

**Campus Farmer's Market**  
10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Mainstreet Statesboro Farmer's Market will be on campus to provide fresh produce, baked goods, honey, meat, and dairy products. For more information visit the Wellness page of the CRI website.

RAC  
**Slackline Clinic**

Are you interested in learning slackline techniques or already experienced? If so, join Southern Adventures on Wednesday, October 30! No pre-requisites required, just register for this clinic in the Southern Adventures Center located inside the RAC. Make sure to mark your calendars!

**WEDNESDAY** 10.16.2013

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## Georgia Lottery to offer scholarships to GSU students

BY RED DENTY

The George-Anne contributor

In commemoration of its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Georgia Lottery is giving students from Georgia Southern University, as well as eight other universities, the chance to win scholarships at five GSU athletic events.

The promotion, called Dollars for

Scholars, will give students the opportunity to win one of eight \$1,000 scholarships and one full-year scholarship.

In order to be entered for a shot at one of the \$1,000 scholarships, students must attend one of the five GSU Georgia Lottery HOPE Games and receive a coded wristband. To be entered into the lottery for the full-year scholarship, students must

enter the code on their wristband at the Dollars for Scholars website.

The first HOPE Game was on Sept. 28 at the football game against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, where Nicole Strenkowski, senior early childhood education major, won the first \$1,000 prize.

"That was one of the best Saturdays of my life," Strenkowski said. "My Georgia Southern

Eagles won an exhilarating game, and I was the lucky winner of \$1,000."

Strenkowski plans to use her scholarship to cover a part of the cost of her last semester at GSU.

Students have another opportunity to play at the Nov. 9 football game against Western Carolina University. Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate.

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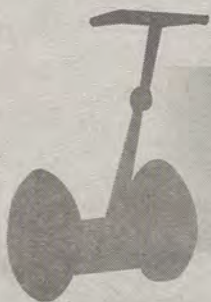
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# Voter laws spread throughout VRA states

BY SHARROD BRATHWAITE

The George-Anne contributor

Multiple states are changing their voting standards as state assemblies across the nation pass bill upon bill, demanding changes to voting procedures.

The most publicized example of the new voter identification laws is North Carolina's Voter Identification Verification Act (VIVA), which increases the strictness of voter identification requirements and adjusts the voting practices of N.C. in ways that seem bent on making it more difficult.

For the time being, Georgia's state congress has not made motions to pass a law of VIVA's scope. However, the state does already have voter identification requirements in place.

The likelihood of further voter ID laws being passed in Georgia is unknown, although there are steps a student can take to ensure that his or her right to vote is protected.

The easiest way to stay abreast of new voter legislation is by actively searching online information on where polling sites will be and registering early, Robert Pirro, Ph.D., Georgia Southern University political science professor, said.

Students who are registered voters of Statesboro can vote early to elect the next mayor of Statesboro from Oct. 14 - Nov. 1. Election Day is Nov. 5, according to the Bulloch County website.

"Members of the SGA and other student organizations, to the extent that they are more informed about politics and more committed to participating in politics, should be doing all they can to facilitate student voting," Pirro said.

Bills have passed in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision to annul Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act (VRA), which helped to force states with histories of voter discrimination to have all voting bills approved by the Department of Justice (DOJ).

The removal of this clause has led to the arrival of new voter identification laws, which have sprung up around the nation, calling for stricter identification requirements at the ballot.

"Requiring ID, especially photo ID, makes it more difficult to vote," Pirro said.

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-Robert Pirro, Ph.D.,  
GSU political science professor

"So, for example, it becomes more difficult for college students to register to vote and vote at school, and if the early voting period is cut down, it makes it more difficult for students to get to their parents' home to vote there. These restrictions are featured as well in the North Carolina voter ID law."

The argument for the use of such

mandates is that the bill is in place to prevent voter impersonation, or voter fraud.

However, evidence calling for such measures has not been found.

"These voter ID laws have not been justified by references to any significant case of in-person voter fraud," Pirro said.

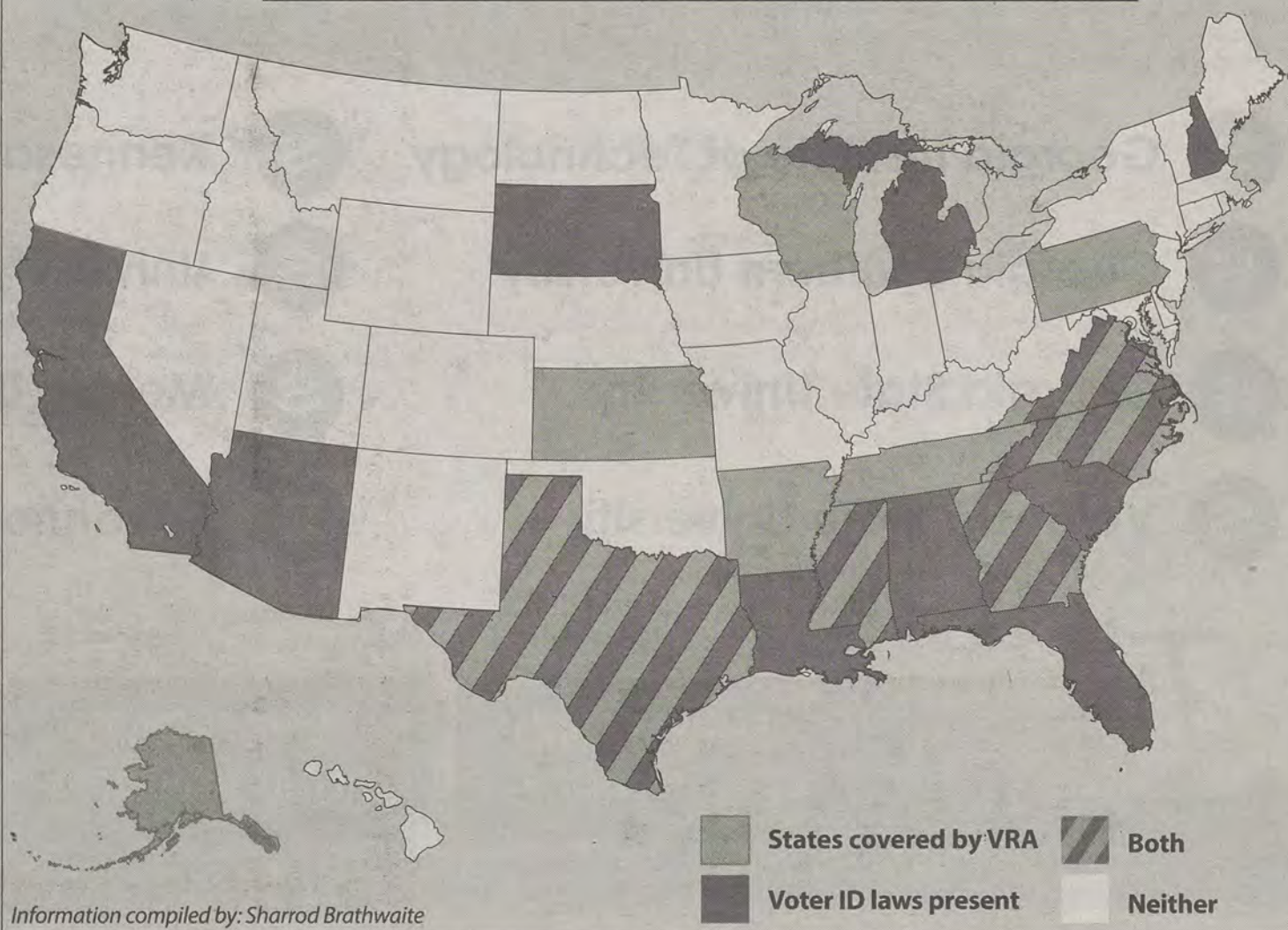
"In fact, in the case of Pennsylvania's voter ID law, the state, which was controlled by Republicans - who also passed the voter ID law - stipulated in court documents that it 'would not offer any evidence that in-person voter fraud had in fact occurred in PA and elsewhere.'"

While VIVA and its fellow voter ID bills may actually be innocent in intent, questions are most definitely raised about their effects.

Jeffery Crowther, political science professor at GSU, believes the necessity of such voting acts is in doubt.

"That means the Voting Rights Act worked," Crowther said. "In which case, there is no need to fix it."

## VOTING REGULATIONS BY STATE



# Minority houses on Greek Row

BY AYANA MOORE

The George-Anne contributor

Olympic Boulevard, also known as Greek Row, has been a staple in Georgia Southern University's Greek community since its founding in the 1970s.

Of all the Greek chapters located on Greek Row, there are no multicultural chapters with houses.

"For the most part, nationally, minority groups don't have houses. That is something that is usually more common with Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Association (PHA) groups," Francisco Lugo, director of Fraternity and Sorority Relations at GSU, said. "Nationwide, it's not really uncommon for these groups not to have houses."

GSU does not actually have any ties to or control over what happens on Greek Row. Olympic Boulevard was founded by and for a private Greek housing corporation, Lugo said.

"The interesting thing about Greek Row

is that the university does not own that land. It's a corporation who handles it called Southern Greek Housing," Lugo said. "From our understanding, the land and each individual fraternity [and sorority] owns the houses. So we at the university have no claim or no real authority when it comes to what happens there."

In many Black Greek and multicultural chapters, members will live together in apartments and that will become the central location for the organization, James Wagner, president of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., said.

"As far as Greek Row, we've never had something of that level here," Wagner said. "I like the idea of having a central plot not just for Black Greeks but Multicultural Greeks."

"Another thing is the turnover for the organization," Jessica Turuc, coordinator of Fraternity and Sorority Relations, said. "With the MPH and MCG, they're not able to join until they're an established student in college so that could typically be sophomore age."

Although the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Relations serve as advisors of the chapters at GSU, it does not specifically deal with Greek Row.

"With the amount of things we do on campus, I feel like we should have something to honor our legacy," Wagner said. "We do equal amounts of service, philanthropy and campus involvement."



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Olympic Village is home to Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Association groups. There are no multicultural chapters with houses in the area, a phenomenon that is common nationwide.

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**TURTLE,** from page 1

Later, she went to the Center for Wildlife Education.

The Wildlife Center was disturbed by what Thomas found but could not do anything because they do not have jurisdiction over the lakes or surrounding areas.

"It's a biology class in the biology department tracking the turtles for research," Aquila Rhodes, child development major and employee at Wildlife Center, said.

Rhodes' boss said a zoology class and vertebrate class set the traps.

Employees of Wildlife Center said that by the way the traps look, it looked like a biology experiment taking place. Thomas went to the biology department the same day to look for more information.

Representatives of the biology department said that they did not set any traps and they would not allow harm to come to the campus turtles by their actions. The department then referred Thomas to the Physical Plant and she was then referred to

Environmental Safety.

"The University has a contractor to monitor the ecology of the bodies of water," according to an email sent by Francois Song, director of Environmental Safety Services. "There must have been some population control whereby they remove certain aged turtles and transfer them to another body of water."

Song stated in the email that he will keep an eye on Lake Ruby in case of any other out of the ordinary incidents and thanked the students for their concern.



Courtesy of Sad'e Thomas

**Turtle traps** were found at Lake Ruby next to Lakeside Dining Commons. Two students were worried about the turtles' safety and decided to investigate why the traps were present.

“ I was upset because I like the turtles and I always take a window seat to watch the turtles while I eat at Lakeside.

”  
-Sad'e Thomas  
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# The Orange Constant returns to GATA's

BY ALEXANDRA MCCRAY

The George-Anne staff

Tonight at GATA's Sports Bar & Grill, a locally grown student rock band, The Orange Constant, will play with guest musician Drew Purvis.

The band's set begins at 10 p.m.

The Orange Constant is just a year old. The band has played in the Statesboro Music Festival, and has begun touring and playing shows outside of Statesboro in cities such as Atlanta, Macon, Augusta, Valdosta and Athens, where it played last weekend.

"It's encouraging going to other cities in the sense that when we have a good turnout or the show goes well, it's like a morale booster," Andrew Brantley, lead vocals and senior general studies major, said.

"At the same time it's humbling because at every venue you go to you just see posters everywhere and all the other promotional material in this sea of other bands out there and you have to differentiate yourself," Brantley said.

The Orange Constant blends and draws inspiration from a variety of music genres including rock, alternative, reggae and progressive rock. Bands like Moon Taxi, Widespread Panic and Perpetual Groove are big influences for the band.

"Perpetual Groove is a big [inspiration], especially like the changing in dynamic and the emotionalism. Those three [Moon Taxi, Widespread Panic, and Perpetual Groove] all capture us pretty well," Brantley said.

The band consists of four Georgia Southern University students: Nickalous Benson, a senior general studies major, who plays guitar, Lee Guentert, a junior business management major who plays drums, Will Goggans, a junior biology major who plays bass and Brantley.

"[GATA's] loves having The Orange Constant in. Being a musician myself, I think this band is one of Statesboro's musical gems. It's nice to see a group of guys creating their own thing and not just playing covers," Greg Kearney, GATA's manager and local musician, said.

The Orange Constant formed in September 2012, and started making a name for itself by playing at house parties and slowly emerging onto the local bar scene. The band played its first show at Dos Primos and shortly after was



The Orange Constant band will perform at GATA's Sports Bar & Grill at 10 p.m.

booked by other local bars such as GATA's and Gnat's Landing, Lee said.

"I like GATA's a lot because they definitely have a high respect for bands, and their sound guy John is great and good at what he does. It's actually one of my favorite places to play," Lee said.

Along with being full-time students and a full schedule of shows lined up the group is currently working on recording and debuting their first EP, which it hopes will be out by the end of the year. "These guys constantly bring a different show

every time they play and that's one of the reasons we like having them," Kearney said. "If the sound guy digs it, you know you have a good band."

# Students to hold concert for late professor

## Music

BY RASHIDA OTUNBA

The George-Anne contributor

This Sunday, students from the Georgia Southern University Department of Music will hold a fundraiser concert for the Richard Mercier Memorial Scholarship.

The concert is being held to honor the late Richard Mercier, the former chair of the Department of Music, who passed away in March last year. The proceeds will benefit the creation of a scholarship in Mercier's honor.

Funds are raised through donations the day of the event. There is no minimum donation amount. The concert will be held at the Carol A. Carter Recital Hall in the Foy building at 2 p.m.

Linda Cionitti, interim chair of the Department of Music said, "The scholarship is a way of honoring the work he did here."

Mercier, a former professor at Georgia

College and State University and California State University Hayward originally came to GSU in 2008 and frequently worked with the vocalists and pianists in the music department.

Brian Strickland, vocalist and senior general studies major, was one of Mercier's students. "We started at GSU at the same time. [Mercier] was caring and nurturing. He made the transition from childhood to adulthood so much easier," Strickland said.

The specifics of the scholarship are not yet concrete. Tentative requirements for receiving this scholarship are that students must be music majors and maintain a 3.0 GPA average.

Mercier was a collaborative soloist and pianist who performed on various continents, including North America, Asia and Europe and was a published author.

Students in the music department are responsible for organizing the recital and hosting the fundraiser.

"Having the scholarship in his name will

benefit students that have the same talent and drive as Mercier," Strickland said.

The concert will feature both instrumental and vocal performances by some of Mercier's former students. Pieces will include "The Pearl Fishers Duet" by George Bizet as well as many other selections from various composers.

As another way to honor Mercier's legacy, there will be a quilt displayed in the lobby of the Carol A. Carter Recital Hall made of his unique and famous ties, Cionitti said.

Sigma Phi Iota, Tau Beta Sigma and Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia are also aiding in the organization of the event. Admission is free for students, faculty and the general public.



Richard Mercier

" We started at GSU at the same time. [Mercier] was caring and nurturing. He made the transition from childhood to adulthood so much easier. "

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
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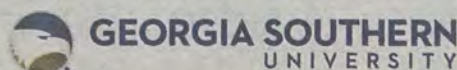
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The Averitt Center for the Arts will be hosting auditions for the "Heartbreaks and Hallelujahs" show on Oct. 16 and Nov. 10 in the Emma Kelly Theatre.

## Local playwrights to bring "Heartbreak" to Statesboro

### Culture

ERINN WILLIAMS

George-Anne staff

Statesboro playwrights Kiki Canon and John Groover, a father and daughter team, will host auditions soon for their new show "Heartbreaks and Hallelujahs" at the Averitt.

Heartbreaks and Hallelujahs is a musical revue that follows three couples as they fall in and out of love over the course of a year. Auditions were scheduled for this Saturday but have been postponed at the director's request but will be rescheduled for Oct. 16 and from 10-1 p.m. and Nov. 10 from 12-3 p.m. in the Emma Kelly Theater" Becky Davis, marketing manager at the Statesboro Convention and Business Bureau, said.

The play places special emphasis on the holidays and parties that the lover's go through beginning on Valentine's Day and ending on the same day of the next year. Many of the specifics about the show are

not known because it is still in the process of being written, and the cast has some input in the show.

Cast members will help in suggesting the musical score, which will include contemporary and standard songs but all of them will be centered on love.

The character vary in age from under 12 to people in their 30s and 40s in various degrees of love and heartbreak. The revue takes place in an unknown city in at numerous parties in the same apartment and the street that surrounds it. Holidays included in the show will be St. Patrick's Day, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Christmas, New Years and other celebrations. The directors said, specifics about the auditions will be released this Friday on their website.

The actual show dates will be Feb. 13, 14 and 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Averitt. Tickets for Friends of the Arts members will be \$11 for adults, \$10 for youth and \$16 for box seats. Non-member tickets are \$13 for adults, \$10 for youth and \$18 for box seats. The show is sponsored by Ogeechee Technical College and is an Averitt STARS Production.

# Cyrus blends genres to moderate success

Album Review ★★★★★

BY KIMEKO MCCOY  
The George-Anne staff

After teasing fans with two hits songs, self-proclaimed hip-hop mogul Miley Cyrus dropped her fourth album, titled "Bangerz," Tuesday.

Although Cyrus has released three previous studio albums, this is her first album since breaking the mold of Disney child star, Hannah Montana.

In contrast to previous albums, Cyrus used a hip-hop archetype to create "Bangerz" and featured hip-hop artists such as Future, Mike WiLL Made It, Juicy J, French Montana and Big Sean.

Cyrus tries to incorporate her fascination with rap and hip-hop culture into her music causing a few hits and misses. A hit was obviously the single "We Can't Stop," which came in ranked at number two on the Billboard charts. Her second single, "Wrecking Ball" surpassed her first and

made it all the way to number one on the Billboard charts.

The misses of the "Bangerz" album came when Cyrus collaborated with the rap artists featured on the tracks "Do My Thang" and "Love Money Party."

Cyrus uses hip-hop as the basis of these tracks and it does not quite work out. The forced collaboration sounds like triangle being forced into a circle shape looks.

When she is not using hard beats and words like "swagger," Cyrus shows her fans a softer side using acoustics and dance music, letting her vocals achieve a moment of glory.

Songs like "Adore" and "Rooting for My Baby" allow Cyrus to show off more of her abilities within and around her vocal range.

In the track "SMS" Cyrus comes together with her idol Britney Spears for dance/pop collaboration. Unfortunately, this song is the usual "ratchet," twerking Cyrus with lyrics such as "I be strutting my stuff." Basically, she's trying too hard.

Regardless of the hits and many misses,

"Bangerz" serves as a refreshing break from the relationship the public has found themselves in with Cyrus lately because her music does not necessarily reflect her recent persona.

She offers a variety of genres with mediocre lyrics but when she has a hit, it's a hit. When she has a miss, it's a miss. At least she's not twerking on camera anymore.



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# Greek represents GSU at Savannah festival

## Culture

BY LILLY MCCANN

The George-Anne staff

Candace Koulouris has been dancing since she was a kid, participating in the annual Savannah Greek festivals since age 10 and is one of the only Georgia Southern University students keeping the tradition going.

"Dancing is in my culture, in my blood. I feel so at home when I'm dancing," Koulouris, member of the ZOE adult dance team performing in the festival and senior special education major at GSU, said.

The 63rd Annual Savannah Greek Festival, hosted by St. Paul's Hellenic Center, will provide music, food, shopping and entertainment from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. this Thursday through Saturday.

"I try to tell as many people as possible to come to the festival at least one of the days. I love having people learn about my heritage and the fun dancing and awesome food," Koulouris said.

Traditional Greek dances serve as a social function to bring the community together, Koulouris said.

"There are tons of dances, the Kalamatiano is a big traditional Greek dance that's at every wedding, or every Greek social event," Koulouris said.

The three troupes, ZOE, the adult dance team, GOYA, the teenage dance team and Ta Pethia, the children's dance team, will perform at various times on each day of the weekend.

"When people are dancing, the audience always claps their hands and gets everyone pumped," Koulouris said.

Dancers are happy to show participants Greek dance moves and encourage the audience to join in, Koulouris said.

"We make a big circle and you'll see people grabbing someone's hand and they have no idea what's going on but they're having a great time doing it," Koulouris said.

The "Grecian Echoes," a Greek-American Broadcasting station, will play Greek music all day and dancing performances will commence throughout the festival.

The festival will offer a variety of food for sit-in or take out and feature classic Greek dishes including spanakopita, gyros and desserts including baklava and loukoumades.

Patrons will be able to have the opportunity to browse and purchase Greek food items, such as cheeses, olives and coffee at Bakaliko, the

Greek Grocery store, or clothing, jewelry, religious items, cookbooks and famous Greek replicas at the Agora Market Place.

Entrance will be free before 4 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, with a requested \$2 donation after 4

p.m. and all day Saturday. Patrons wishing to dine in can place their order online.

"The festival is for all ages, kids, teenagers. It's all for everyone," Koulouris said. "Everyone is always so happy and positive."



Courtesy of Candace Koulouris

Candace Koulouris (middle) performs a traditional Greek dance. Koulouris is performing at the Savannah Greek Festival this weekend, representing her sorority and GSU.


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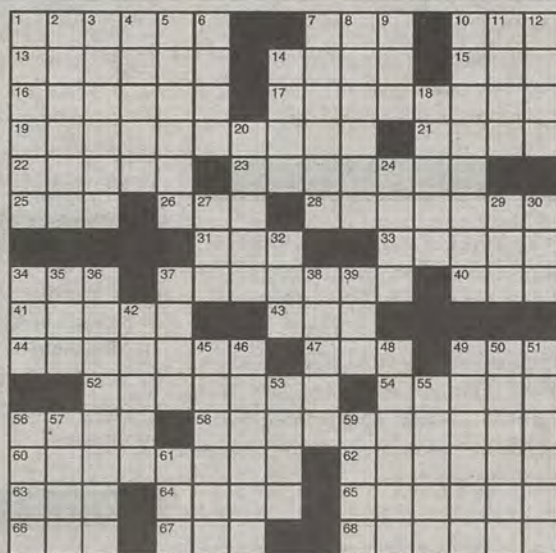
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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- 14 Zeno's home
- 15 Namibia neighbor: Abbr.
- 16 Florida export
- 17 "Ditto!"
- 19 \*1955 Communist defense treaty
- 21 Old Russian dynast
- 22 Pulitzer playwright Rice
- 23 The tiniest bit
- 25 \_\_\_ Moines
- 26 Sink, as a snooker ball
- 28 Flattering deception
- 31 Daddy-o
- 33 Marsupial sometimes called a bear
- 34 Friction reducer
- 37 "I can answer your questions"
- 40 Map reader's aid
- 41 Firefighter Red
- 43 Gaming console with a fitness component
- 44 County in eastern Ireland
- 47 R&B's \_\_\_ Hill
- 49 Peoria hrs.
- 52 Score tempo
- 54 Opposite of neo-
- 56 Fr. miss
- 58 "Momentarily forget"
- 60 Like the best bonds, and a hint to the answers to starred clues
- 62 Dumpster fill
- 63 Reunion attendees
- 64 Goes down in the west
- 65 Done for the first time
- 66 Sew up
- 67 \_\_\_ de deus
- 68 Trusty mounts



By Gareth Bain

### DOWN

- 1 Made an appearance
- 2 Team captain's concern
- 3 Morning janglers
- 4 Teeth-cleaning step
- 5 Title writer in a John Irving novel
- 6 Hasenpfeffer, for one
- 7 Director's cry
- 8 Jam thickener
- 9 Black Hills terr.
- 10 "Wheel of Fortune" host
- 11 "A Day Without Rain" New Ager
- 12 Culture medium
- 14 Israeli diplomat
- 18 When one might have a late lunch
- 20 "The Chosen" novelist Chaim
- 24 "The Addams Family" adjective
- 27 Special \_\_\_ military force
- 29 Flamenco shout
- 30 Shoreline indentation
- 32 Print maker

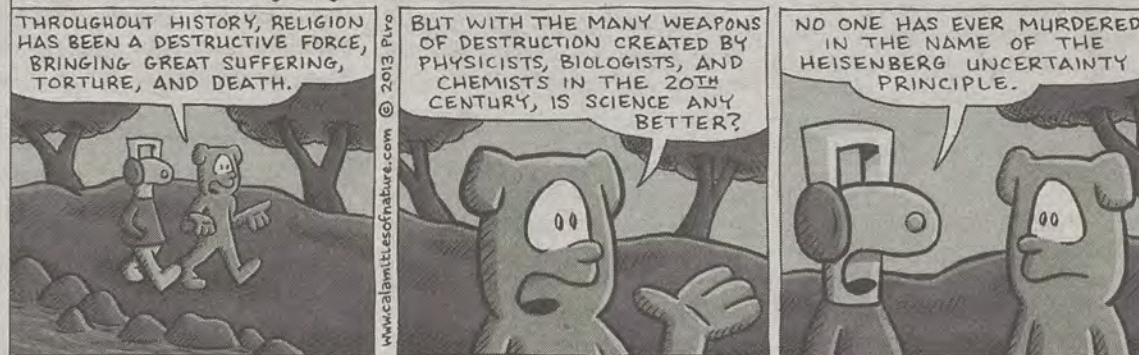
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- 35 Dictator Amin
- 36 \*Space cadet's home?
- 37 Inland Asian sea
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- 45 Herbal brew
- 46 Everglades birds
- 48 Cheerful
- 49 Painter Monet
- 50 Had an inkling
- 51 Small gifts
- 53 Extremists, for short
- 55 2004 remake starring Jude Law
- 56 Fabricate
- 57 Rested
- 59 Venus de Milo's lack
- 61 Egyptian snake



## Calamities of Nature by Tony Piro



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## Eagles take on Panthers for soccer supremacy

### Men's Soccer (4-6)

BY TREVOR MCNABOE

The George-Anne staff

After a disappointing start to its four-game home stand, the Georgia Southern University men's soccer team looks to bounce back against in-state foe Georgia State University.

The Eagles have been in a free fall as of late, losing the last two games by a combined score of 5-1 and losing to Wofford College 3-0 in the most recent game.

On the flip side, the Panthers are red-hot coming off a five game win streak that stretches back to Sept. 14 when they lost to Evansville University by a score of 3-1.

In the last matchup between the teams it was Ga. State that came out as the victor with a 3-0 scoreline.

The Eagles will play host, although they have struggled at Eagle Field coming in with a record of 2-3 and allowing 10 goals while scoring just seven.

Luckily for the Eagles, the Panthers haven't been road warriors as they come in with a 1-3-1 record away from Atlanta. The Panthers have also been outscored this season on the road allowing 10 goals and just scoring six.

Both teams have been very similar offensively as the Eagles score 1.20 goals and the Panthers score 1.22 goals a game. Both teams also have allowed opponents to catch up and score later in the game by being outscored in the second half of games.

Ga. State does not have one person that stands out statistically, however, they have been successful as a unit. Three players that have scored two goals or more for the Panthers are freshman forward Amiri Abraham (2 goals), redshirt junior midfielder Stephen McGill (2 goals) and senior midfielder Jamal Keene (3 goals).

Both teams have played Wofford as a similar opponent; however, the Eagles lost 3-0 while the Panthers won in overtime by a score of 2-1.

GSU will have to have a sound game in the attacking third and also in the back line to win against Ga State This game could come down to the team that controls possession and the tempo of the game.

Kickoff is set for tomorrow at 5 p.m. at Eagle Field.



Senior midfielder Hunter Norton (13) takes a corner kick. The Eagles will try to end Georgia State University's five-game winning streak tomorrow at 5 p.m.

Christal Riley | The George-Anne

**NEW COURSE,** from page 1

The course comes with plenty of policies. Up to four players per group is allowed, and each player must have his or her own set of golf clubs.

Although new, the course is no easy play. The new course has winding fairways and a substantial amount of water hazards. However you don't have to be an all-star golfer, there are five different tee boxes on each hole accommodating any golfer.

Being that it is a brand new course, the grass will take a whole year to fully grow in, but this will not affect play. The only significant sign that the grass is new will be the way the ball rolls on the green. This course is new so most greens will roll slower than your usual championship green.

The GSU Golf Course plans to hold its first big tournament for the Eagle Football Alumni Association (EFAA) on Nov. 8 to raise money for the GSU football team.

The total length of the course is 6,900 yards. The course is located six miles south of the GSU main campus.

The ribbon cutting for the new Georgia Southern Golf Course at University Park will be at 3 p.m. today.



Courtesy of GSU Golf Course at University Park

Georgia Southern University Golf Course at University Park is located off of Golf Club Road. The ribbon cutting for the new course takes place today at 3 p.m.

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## Volleyball looks to climb back against SoCon foes

Volleyball (15-3)

BY CHASE DAVIS

The George-Anne contributor

After a tough loss last weekend against Furman University, the Georgia Southern University volleyball team (15-3, 3-1 Southern Conference) hits the road looking to bounce back strong this weekend.

The Eagles will take on their conference opponents, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro Spartans (9-8, 2-2 SoCon) and the Elon University Phoenix (10-9, 2-2 SoCon).

The Eagles find themselves sitting third in conference standings after having their nine-match winning streak snapped in an upset loss to Furman.

UNCG has been, if anything, consistent, hovering around .500 all season and finds itself sitting sixth in conference

standings. The Spartans are coming off a road loss to Davidson College.

The Spartans will be led offensively by redshirt senior hitter Olivia Humphries, who added 10 kills to her total of 203 last Saturday against Davidson. The Spartans are complemented by a defense led by sophomore libero Katherine Santiago, who sports an average of 4.6 digs per set.

Elon sits right behind UNCG in conference play, but seems to have hit its stride, winning eight of its last 11. Their most recent win came on the road at Davidson.

Junior middle blocker Kris Harris, who has tallied 25 service aces and 191 kills, will spearhead the Phoenix's attack. Both the Phoenix and the Spartans will look to contain junior outside hitter Jamie DeRatt, who has racked up 224 kills and 200 digs.

The Eagles will be on the road against UNCG at 7 p.m. tomorrow.

## DeRatt kills it off the court

BY ZAKYRA COLVIN

The George-Anne staff

Just two weeks ago, on top of earning her second volleyball Southern Conference offensive player of the week title, junior outside hitter Jamie DeRatt set a career high of 23 kills and 19 digs all in the same week.

As recent as yesterday, DeRatt was named SoCon Volleyball Offensive Athlete of the Month. DeRatt posted double-digit kills 12 times and went for at least 20 kills twice in the month of September. DeRatt led the Eagles to a 14-2 record to open the season.

The 5-foot-9-inch outside hitter is not only a great player on the court, but also balanced off the court, head coach Dustin Wood said.

"She's a hard worker. She's a very coachable kid that does well academically," Wood said. "She's a great kid with a great attitude and she comes to play and comes to win."

DeRatt began playing volleyball in the sixth grade after watching her two older sisters. After playing both volleyball and soccer for years, she had to make the tough decision of which one she wanted to continue playing in college.

During her junior year of high school, DeRatt decided that she wanted to play college volleyball instead of college soccer, so she quit playing traveling soccer and started focusing completely on volleyball.

"Soccer was definitely my first love," DeRatt said. "I grew up playing (soccer), but volleyball was different and really caught my attention. (Volleyball) was much faster paced than soccer."

DeRatt's biggest fans are her parents and her grandfather.

"My parents are huge Georgia Southern groupies," DeRatt said. "They come to every single game. When we went to Costa Rica the summer of my freshman year, my parents came to Costa Rica to watch us play."

The other supporter is her grandfather, who she calls "Grandy." DeRatt's grandfather went to every single game for her and her sisters until he had a stroke. Now, he watches her games online.

"My dad got an account set up, so he is still there. He wears his Georgia Southern volleyball hat and watches the games online," DeRatt said.

Being a student athlete is a lot of work, but DeRatt manages to balance her academics and social life, while playing volleyball.

"I try to do my work before we travel for

weekend games," DeRatt said. "I'm up late a lot of nights and I just try to get that done ahead of time and when the weekend

comes, I don't have to worry about school, I can focus on volleyball."

Before a game or even during workouts, the players like to listen to rap music to get them "pumped up."

"We like to listen to a lot of rap music and we like to get very hype," DeRatt said. "2 Chainz is always on," she said.

Having a social life is pretty hard with 6:30 a.m. practices, so DeRatt leaves hanging out with friends and other hobbies, like painting, for the weekend.

DeRatt has accomplished a lot so far in her volleyball career. Right now, she leads the Eagles offensively with 224 kills and an average of 3.73 kills per set.

"I feel like I'm finding myself more as a volleyball player," DeRatt said. "I'm continuing to learn and improve on things. I feel like I still have a lot to learn and keep growing as a volleyball player."

"We've seen a lot of changes from her from last year to this year, and those improvements have been big strides that are helping her play the game better," Wood said.

After college, DeRatt has graduate school in her sights. The junior would like to pursue a career in sports management. If the opportunity presented itself, DeRatt would pursue volleyball after college, but graduate school is what she sees as her next step after college.

"I'm a big team player. I like to give credit where credit is due," DeRatt said. "I like to lead by example. I don't like to put others down. I like to pick them up. I just think that having a positive attitude all of the time is really good because then others won't get down, and they can still perform to their highest level."

DeRatt and the Eagles will play their next conference match against the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in Greensboro, NC tomorrow at 7 p.m.



Jamie DeRatt



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Junior outside hitter Jamie DeRatt (9) lines up a serve. DeRatt leads the team in kills, 224, and won SoCon Offensive Player of the Month for her performance in September.



Ryan Woodham | The George-Anne

Sophomore defender **Jessie Eberhardt (21)** lines up the ball. The defense will look for their fourth shutout of the year against a Francis Marion University team that has struggled to score goals this season.

## Women's soccer plans to rebound against Francis Marion

### Women's Soccer (2-7-2)

BY HAYDEN BOUDREAUX

The George-Anne contributor

There will be a nice change of pace for the Georgia Southern University women's soccer team (2-7-2) tonight when they play non-conference opponent Francis Marion University (0-11).

For one of the first times in the season, the Eagles find themselves at a statistical advantage. Francis Marion has only scored six times on 99 shots this year against 10 goals on 120 shots for GSU. Both teams have a shot

percentage in the mid-40s, but the Patriots have allowed seven more goals on the year.

Defensively it should be a good chance for GSU to prepare for the rest of the season as the Patriots have struggled to put up points this year. The sophomore defense for the Eagles of Renee Nance, Jessie Eberhardt and Katey Lippitt has allowed 23 goals this season and will try for their third shutout of the season.

Junior forward Elizabeth Asare, who has taken 13 shots this season and scored on two of them, will lead the FMU offense. Senior forward Yasmin Bunter leading the Patriots with 28 shots and two assists will assist Asare in peppering shots on the Eagle defense.

The Eagle offense is prepping for a display of productivity. Freshman forward Jennifer Wittick currently leads the team with three goals, and she is ahead of sophomore forward Nora El-Shami who has two and senior forward Alex Murphy who also has two. All three have taken 17 shots this season and have one assist apiece.

El-Shami will be seeking redemption from GSU's losses over the weekend.

"We have to finish our chances and fight until the end in the backfield," El-Shami said.

The Patriots will attempt to defend the attack against sophomore goalkeeper Taylor O'Berry who has played all season for FMU,

nabbing 66 saves. In front of O'Berry will be junior defenders Sandy Odembo and Kristina Marra. The triplet has started every game for the Patriots and they hope to grab their first shutout on the year.

Head coach Brian Dunleavy has his game plan prepared for Francis Marion and has keys he wants his team to work on improving.

"We need to get our mental focus back, and realizing that we are still in it and we are all about the playoff hunt," Dunleavy said.

This is the first time GSU has faced off against FMU so the Eagles look to make a good first impression. The out-of-conference match up will be played at 7 p.m. on Eagle Field.



Ryan Woodham | The George-Anne

Sophomore defender **Jessie Eberhardt (21)** lines up the ball. The defense will look for their fourth shutout of the year against a Francis Marion University team that has struggled to score goals this season.

## Williams embraces new role

BY MACY HOLLOWAY

The George-Anne contributor

Junior goalkeeper Molly Williams of the Georgia Southern University women's soccer team stepped up to play goalie in a time of need.

With all of the other goalies riddled with injuries, GSU head coach Brian Dunleavy came to Williams for help. In her first two games with the team, Williams allowed only one goal and went for a combined 17 saves.

How did you feel when coach Dunleavy asked you to try out for the team?

"I was just really excited, you know it was like a second chance at getting my dreams, so I just had to say yes."

Were you planning on playing in college?

"Yeah, I originally came here to play, but it just kind of fell through with the switch-over of coaches, but I got a second chance and I couldn't be more grateful."

How did you feel about being named SoCon player of the week?

"It was awesome but also kind of nerve-racking, because, you know, I just came out big and now I have to keep the bar up high, so it's a little tough but these girls are great and they just lift you up the entire game."

What was going through your mind at the beginning of your first conference game?

"It was just excitement, like I was just stoked and I think that's part of why I did so well. The adrenaline was just pumping, under the lights, against such a big school like Samford, it just worked."

What do you feel you add to the team?

"I just think I help complete it. You know they were missing a player, and I don't think that any one player is any better than the other. We just fit together and I just came and helped put the last piece in."

How do you feel you've adjusted from playing on a club team to a conference team?

"It was kind of hard, like lifestyle differences, but I think I'm doing well, just trying to keep up the level of play and keep it there."

So what are some of the major differences that you've had to adjust to?

"Mostly just practicing every day, and fitness, eating right and staying hydrated and things like that, just trying to get my body used to it."

Is this something you see yourself doing long-term?

"Yeah, definitely. I'm excited to be here and hopefully play next year as well."

## Georgia Southern Soccer

THURSDAY, OCT. 10, 7 PM

-GEORGIA SOUTHERN VS. FRANCIS MARION  
\*GATA GAME

FRIDAY, OCT. 11, 5 PM

-GEORGIA SOUTHERN VS. GEORGIA STATE  
\*PITY THE KITTY, JUNIOR EAGLE CLUB NIGHT  
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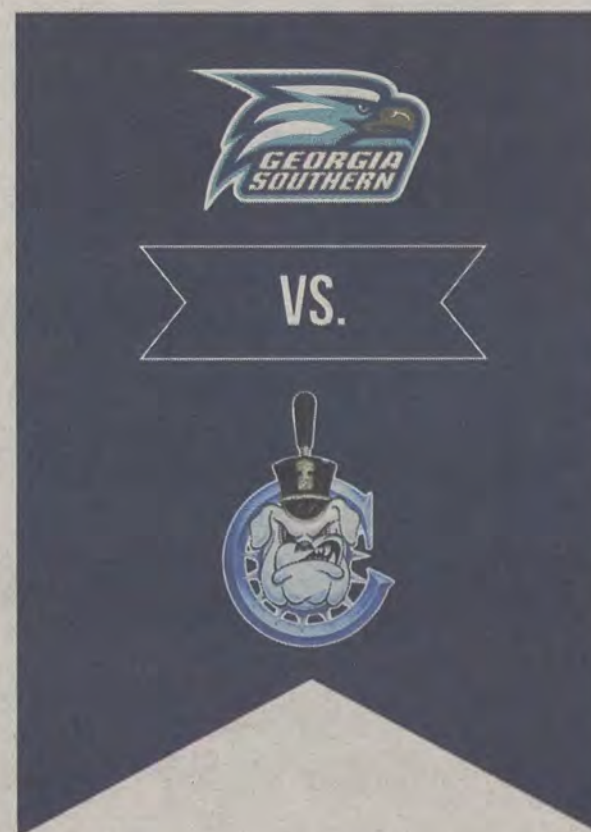
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GSU Football 2013



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## Eagles seek to bounce back against the Bulldogs

**By Robert Huitt**  
The George-Anne staff

A frustrated Georgia Southern University football team will try to climb from the bottom of the Southern Conference standings when it faces The Citadel Bulldogs Saturday.

GSU leads the all-time series between the two teams 17-5, but the Bulldogs won the previous meeting by a score of 23-21. The Eagles dominated statistically and looked like the superior team but missed field goals and turnovers turned the tide of that game.

"It's going to be a tough ball game against The Citadel. It always is," co-defensive

coordinator Jack Curtis said. "The teams have limited chances at scoring because we do run the ball, so we have to get to creating turnovers on defense."

After a 34-44 loss to Samford University last week, the Eagles have fallen to last in the SoCon with a conference record of 1-2. The Eagles allowed 651 yards of total offense to Samford, continuing the troubling trend of conference opponents exploiting the weaknesses of their defense, particularly the Eagles inability to tackle

"Nineteen on defense and two on special teams, that's 21 on the game, and that's a lot of missed tackles," head coach Jeff Monken said.

The Citadel prefers to control the game on the ground, so the Eagles will have plenty of opportunities to redeem themselves in the tackling department. The Bulldogs rank second in the SoCon in rushing offense with 283.8 yards per game.

The Bulldogs are coming off an overtime victory 31-28 over the Appalachian State University Mountaineers. The Bulldogs rushed for 328 yards and were led by the duo of senior quarterback Ben Dupree and senior fullback Darien Robinson.

Bulldog sophomore defensive lineman Mitchell Jeter intercepted a pass in the overtime period, which set up a 35-yard field goal from senior kicker Thomas Warren that

sealed the victory for the Bulldogs.

Senior quarterback/running back Jerick McKinnon will look to continue his ascent through the GSU record books. McKinnon is currently fifth in school history with 3,445 career rushing yards. He needs 432 yards to move into third place, which he can accomplish in the next few weeks.

At the game, military personnel will be honored as part of Military Appreciation Day. The Eagles will wear patches from the Georgia National Guard and other military branches on their jerseys. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m. at Allen E. Paulson Stadium.

*Randall Hampton contributed to this report.*

# ADVANTAGES BY THE NUMBERS

\*Current Southern Conference rankings

## OFFENSE

GSU VS. The Citadel

Scoring	1st	4th
First Downs	4th	1st
Rushing Yardage	1st	2nd
Passing Yardage	7th	8th
Total Offense	1st	5th
Time of Poss.	4th	2nd
3rd Down Conv.	2nd	5th
4th Down Conv.	Tied for 3rd	2nd
Touchdowns	1st	4th
Field Goal Attempts	2nd	3rd
Red Zone Scores	1st	3rd
Red Zone Touchdowns	1st	3rd
PAT Attempts	1st	3rd

## DEFENSE

GSU VS. The Citadel

Points Allowed	3rd	7th
Yards Allowed	4th	5th
Rushing Allowed	4th	2nd
Passing Allowed	4th	5th
Forced Turnovers	Tied for 4th	
Sacks	Tied for 3rd	5th
Interceptions	3rd	8th

\*Information from GSeagles.com and Citadelsports.com

## INTERVIEW WITH AN EAGLE



### #29 Deion Stanley

Stanley is a junior psychology major from Dry Branch, Georgia. He started 11 games as a sophomore and 12 games as a redshirt freshman for GSU. Stanley currently leads the team with 3 interceptions.

BY RANDALL HAMPTON  
The George-Anne staff

**Q: So when you're not out here on the practice field or not studying, what are you normally doing?**

A: Normally I'm just watching movies on Netflix. I love dramatic movies, movies that have a twisting ending to them. I like doing that and just playing with my son.

**Q: What is your favorite video game?**

A: My favorite video game, I would have to say Call of Duty - all of them.

**Q: What is your biggest inspiration off the football field?**

A: I would have to say my little boy because he gives me motivation to just keep pushing to provide a future for him. I would also say my big brother because I'm doing some of the things that he wasn't able to do in life because of heart problems or him choosing not to.

**Q: What is your pregame warm up routine?**

A: In this exact order: I have to listen to a little bit of Boosie, Yo Gotti and I have to get a little bit of gospel in there.

**Q: After football where do you see yourself?**

A: I see myself in the business world somewhere dealing with finances.



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Junior GSU safety Deion Stanley (29) runs after intercepting a pass. Stanley leads the Southern Conference with three interceptions on the season.

# IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

## LAST WEEK...

- With 181 yards, senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon passed former Eagles Roderick Russell and Greg Hill for sole possession of fifth all-time on GSU's career rushing yards list.
- Redshirt freshman quarterback Kevin Ellison threw his first ever collegiate touchdown pass against Samford University, he finished the game with two.
- McKinnon has rushed for over 100 yards in all but one game this season.
- The Eagles allowed 651 yards of total offense to Samford, the highest total of the season for the defense and the highest total by Samford all season.
- Junior middle linebacker Edwin Jackson tied for the team lead in tackles for the Eagles with 5. He has led GSU in tackles in all but one game.
- Senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon leads the Southern Conference with 596 rushing yards after 181 rushing yards last week.

\*Information from GSeagles.com

## OFFENSE

#1	JERICK MCKINNON QB Senior
#32	WILLIAM BANKS FB Senior
#26	TRAY BUTLER RB Junior
#23	JOHNATHAN BRYANT RB Junior
#81	B.J. JOHNSON WR Sophomore
#89	DA'QUAN HEARD TE Freshman
#58	GARRETT FRYE LT Junior
#76	TREVOR MCBURNETT LG Junior
#75	MANREY SAINT-AMOUR C Junior
#62	ZACH LONAS RG Senior
#71	DORIAN BYRD RT Senior

#2	BEN DUPREE QB Senior
#22	DARIEN ROBINSON B-Back Senior
#25	TERRANCE MARTIN SLOT Senior
#24	JAKE STENSON SLOT Senior
#5	MATT THOMPSON WR Senior
#42	NICK JEFFREYS TE Freshman
#76	DEVIN BICE LT Senior
#55	KEITH CARTER LG Senior
#61	SAM FRYE C Sophomore
#65	JIM KNOWLES RG Senior
#69	CULLEN BROWN RT Senior

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SOUTHERN**

## PROJECTED STARTERS

**THE CITADEL**

#90	JOSH GEBHARDT DE Senior
#52	JAVON MENTION DE Senior
#96	BLAKE RILEY DT Senior
#91	JUSTICE EJIKE NT Junior
#16	CARLOS CAVE OLB Senior
#40	EDWIN JACKSON MLB Junior
#39	KYLE OEHLBECK OLB Senior
#30	VALDON COOPER CB Junior
#18	LAVELLE WESTBROOKS CB Senior
#29	DEION STANLEY SS Junior
#77	MATT DOBSON FS Sophomore

## DEFENSE

#44	BAY AMRHEIN DE Senior
#96	JUSTIN OXENDINE DE Junior
#91	DEREK DOUGLAS DT Senior
#72	CAM MOBLEY NT Junior
#4	AKEEM GARNETT STAR Junior
#29	CARL ROBINSON LB Junior
#49	JAMES RILEY LB Sophomore
#1	SADATH JEAN-PIERRE CB Senior
#45	BRANDON McCLADDIE CB Senior
#28	JULIAN BAXTER S Junior
#27	NICK WILLIS S Sophomore

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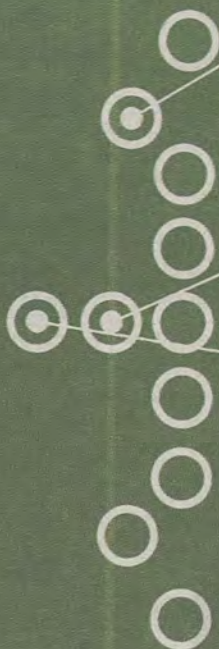
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# KEY PLAYERS

## GSU OFFENSE



**#1** Jerick McKinnon  
QB/RB Senior

181 rushing yards last week  
2 rushing touchdowns last week  
Leads SoCon with 596 rushing yards



**#4** Kevin Ellison  
RS Redshirt Freshman

140 passing yards last week  
2 passing touchdowns last week  
Leads team with 424 passing yards



**#32** William Banks  
FB Senior

51 rushing yards last week  
1 rushing touchdown last week  
2nd on team with 265 rush yards



**#91** Derek Douglas  
DT Senior

4 tackles last week  
2nd on team in sacks  
Preseason All SoCon First Team



**#45** Brandon McCladdie  
CB Senior

5 tackles last week  
3rd on team with 38 tackles  
Preseason All SoCon Second Team

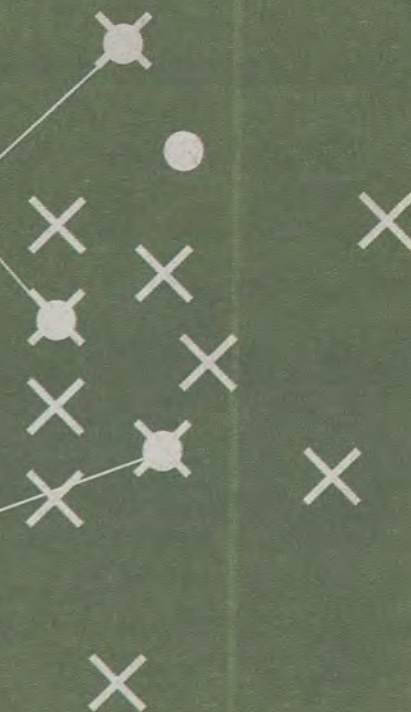


**#29** Carl Robinson  
LB Junior

5 tackles last week  
3rd on team with 38 tackles  
Preseason All SoCon Second Team

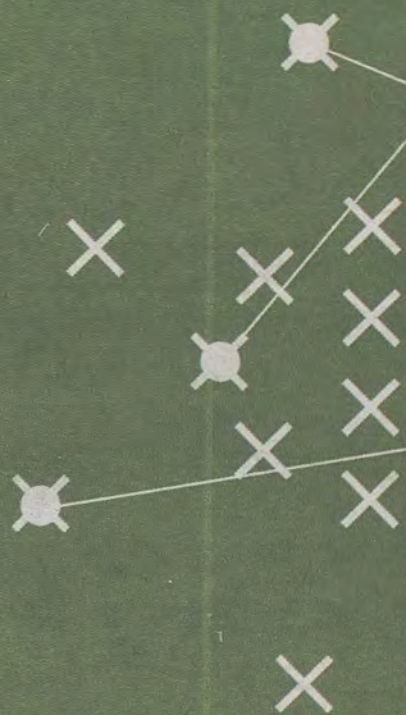


## THE CITADEL DEFENSE



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## GSU DEFENSE



**#40** Edwin Jackson  
MLB Junior

5 tackles last week  
1 sack last week  
Leads team with 37 tackles



**#18** Lavelle Westbrook  
CB Senior

5 tackles last week  
2 passes broken up last week  
Leads team with 5 passes broken up



**#29** Deion Stanley  
S Junior

4 tackles last week  
Leads SoCon with 3 interceptions  
Leads team with 3 interceptions



**#22** Darien Robinson  
FB Senior

109 rush yards last week at App. State  
2 rushing touchdowns last week  
Leads team with 536 rush yards



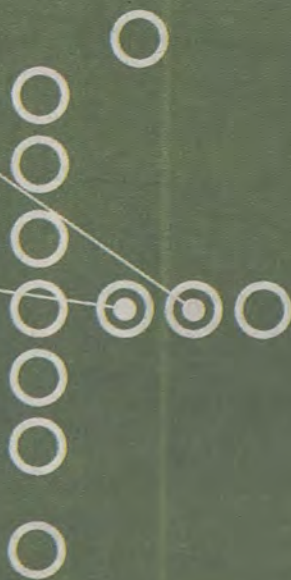
**#2** Ben Dupree  
QB Senior

136 rush yards last week at App. State  
2 rushing touchdowns last week  
Leads team with 10 rushing touchdowns



**#30** Thomas Warren  
K Senior

Game winning 35 yard field goal last week  
SoCon special teams Player of the Week  
4-7 on field goals this season



## THE CITADEL OFFENSE

# KEY PLAYERS



**EDWIN JACKSON**

Junior  
LINEBACKER

**HEIGHT** **WEIGHT**  
**5'11"** **225** LBS

Leads team with 37 tackles  
5 solo tackles last week  
1 sack last week

**HEIGHT** **WEIGHT**  
**5'9"** **180** LBS

2nd on team with 519 rushing yards  
10 rushing touchdowns this season  
2 rushing touchdowns last week

**VS**

Dupree is an experienced quarterback in the triple-option offense. That experience will come in handy facing a defense that often practices against that style of play. Jackson, an experienced football player himself, has played in at least 12 games in each of his first two seasons on the team and looks to be a key contributor again this week.



**BEN DUPREE**

Senior  
QUARTERBACK

**MAYDAY MATCHUP**

Mayday Matchup takes a look at how the opponent's best player on offense and defense will match up against Georgia Southern University. This week will focus on a quarterback vs. linebacker matchup and a linebacker vs. running back matchup.



**CARL ROBINSON**

Junior  
LINEBACKER

**HEIGHT** **WEIGHT**  
**6'1"** **245** LBS

Leads team with 39 solo tackles  
5 tackles last week  
1 pass deflected last week

**HEIGHT** **WEIGHT**  
**5'9"** **201** LBS

52 rushing yards last week  
One touchdown last week  
2nd on team with 265 rushing yards

**VS**

The matchup between Robinson and Banks is the typical matchup between an experienced running back and an experienced linebacker. Banks has received the bulk of the carries this season from the B-back position due to the injury to Dominique Swope and has produced in big situations. Robinson is a tackling machine who can move well in open space and will prove to be a challenge for the GSU offense.



**WILLIAM BANKS**

Senior  
RUNNING BACK

# HISTORY OF THE GAME

## GSU vs. The Citadel

**BY WILL CHENEY**  
The George-Anne staff

As conference opponents Georgia Southern University and The Citadel have been battling it out for the last 20 seasons, GSU has been able to claim the series with a record of 15-5-0 without losing consecutive matchups.

The first matchup between the two programs came in the 1990 NCAA I-AA playoffs. Former GSU head coach Tim Stowers' Eagles defeated the Bulldogs in a 31-0 shutout en route to the program's fourth national title.

The first matchup as Southern Conference opponents came in the 1993 regular season. The Eagles continued their winning fashion, beating the Bulldogs 16-6 in Statesboro. Wins were traded between the 1993 and 1996 seasons to bring the all-time series to 3-2-0 in GSU's favor.

From 1997 up until this point, GSU dominated the series, winning six straight contests until 2002. Wins by GSU in 2004 and 2005 were sandwiched between losses in 2003 and 2006. GSU also recorded its fifth and sixth national titles in that span, both under former head coach Paul Johnson.

GSU racked off five more consecutive wins from 2007 to 2011, before a heart-breaking loss in Charleston, in week two of the 2012 season.

The game from last season saw GSU take a late lead on a rushing touchdown by then-freshman quarterback Ezayi Youyou to give the Eagles a 21-20 lead with just over three minutes left in the game. The game was sealed in The Citadel's favor, however, when then junior kicker Thomas Warren kicked a 37-yard field goal with 35 seconds left to bring the score 23-21, which stood as the final. GSU led the game in most categories,

including penalties and turnovers.

With this being the last conference matchup between the two programs in the foreseeable future, added with the fact that last year's nail-biting loss is still ingrained in the minds of Eagle and Bulldog faithful alike, this has the makings of another hard-fought SoCon matchup.

Similar to GSU's previous SoCon finales earlier this season against Wofford College, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and Samford University, The Citadel is sure to bring its best performance to Allen E. Paulson Stadium on Military Appreciation Day.

**Nov. 24, 1990** – GSU defeats The Citadel in the playoffs 31-0 in the first ever meeting between the two teams.

**Sept. 8, 2012** – The Citadel defeats GSU 23-21 in Charleston, S.C.

**2013**

**Oct. 3, 1999** – GSU defeats The Citadel 34-17 en route to program's fifth national title.

**Oct. 28, 2006** – The Citadel defeats GSU 24-21 in Brian VanGorder's only season as GSU head coach.

**Sept. 11, 1993** – GSU defeats The Citadel 16-6 in the first conference matchup between the two teams.



Senior Quarterback Jerick McKinnon (1) jumps to avoid a Citadel defender. McKinnon rushed for a touchdown against the Bulldogs last season.

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